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November 26, 2008

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-A325 Washington, DC 20554

Re: Nomination of Jared A. Cleveland

CC Docket Nos 96-45, 97-21

Dear Ms. Dortch:

As Chief Technology Officer of the State of Arkansas on behalf of Governor Mike Beebe, I am forwarding to you Governor Beebe's nomination of Jared A. Cleveland as an education representative for the Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors.

I trust the information requested for the nomination is complete and that you will duly consider Mr. Jared A. Cleveland for the Board of Director's position.

Sincerely,

Claire Bailey

Director

cc: Antoinette Stevens

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In the Matter of: Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) Board of Directors

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Dear Ms. Dortch:

As Governor of Arkansas, it is my pleasure to nominate Jared A. Cleveland to the Board of Directors for the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) as an education representative. Recognized as an advocate for education reform in Arkansas, Cleveland has successfully used his talents and ideas to bring people together to accomplish positive change in the field of education.

Appointed superintendent of the Magazine School District at age 32, Cleveland is presently superintendent of the Lavaca Public School District. He is currently involved in a building program to make the Lavaca Public Schools fully compliant with the State's adequacy standards, and led the successful effort to promote the passage of a real-estate tax increase to assure its financing. Under his leadership, Lavaca schools have instituted a technology initiative, recently adding new mobile computer labs for the high school, middle school, and the elementary school. The district has also acquired more than 100 computer stations, procured through purchase and donations.

His educational experience includes long-time participation in the E-Rate Program for Schools and Libraries. If selected, Cleveland will provide a voice for the needs and concerns of rural Arkansas and, in turn, of rural America. Professionally and politically active, he currently represents Arkansas as a Commissioner on the Education Commission of the States.

I enthusiastically recommend Jared Cleveland to the Board of Directors for USAC and have confidence that he will serve with integrity and support its goals and initiatives. I hope that you will call on me if I can be of further assistance.

Mike Beebe

Sincere

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Jared A. Cleveland

1305 South Division Street Lavaca, Arkansas 72941 479-674-8099 - Home Telephone Number 479-264-6006 - Cellular Telephone Number

Personal Background

-Age 37: Born Sept. 15, 1971 in Blytheville AR

-Married in 1993 to Cristi Forbis, an elementary media specialist

-Father of three sons: Crason 13, Callen 9, Camden 3 years

- Member of First Baptist Church in Lavaca, AR

-Parents: Herschel and Leona Cleveland of Paris, AR

Education

2008	HARDING UNIVERSITY	Searcy, AR
	-Currently admitted to the Doctorial Program	
	in Education at Harding University	
2007-2008	LAMAR UNIVERSITY & AR TECH UNIV.	Russellville, AR
	- Superintendent's Leadership Academy	
2004-2006	HARDING UNIVERSITY	Searcy, AR
	-Specialist Degree in Educational Leadership	
2003-2004	UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS	U of A Systems
	- AR Leadership Academy, Principals Institute	•
2002-2003	HARDING UNIVERSITY	Searcy, AR
	-MA in Educational Leadership	
1996	UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS	Conway, AR

-completed coaching endorsement

1993-1995 ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY Russellville, AR

-teaching certificate: Social Studies/coaching endorsement

1991-1993 ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY Russellville, AR

-BA in History and Political Science

1990 CENTRAL BAPTIST COLLEGE Conway, AR

- Undergraduate core classes

1990 WESTARK COMMUNITY COLLEGE Ft. Smith, AR

- Undergraduate core classes

1989 UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS Fayetteville, AR

- Undergraduate core classes

1985-1989 SUBIACO ACADEMY Subiaco, AR

Employment Experience

Summer 1989 <u>Day Laborer, Southern Bowling Service - Dallas, TX</u>

Responsible for work as a sub-crew pusher in building a major bowling center.

1991-1993 Pharmacy Clerk and Tech., Newton's Pharmacy - Russellville, AR

Responsible for handling money, packing, and delivering prescriptions.

Summer 1993 <u>Warehouse Clerk and Driver, Lensing Brothers - Subiaco, AR</u>

Responsible for loading and delivering building materials.

1992-1995 Sales Manager, Jernie Motor Company - Magazine, AR

Responsible for purchasing and selling of automobiles to dealers and the public.

1995-2003 J.D. Leftwich High School - Magazine, AR

Administrative Assistant for the Superintendent, H.S. Principal, Elem. Principal

Head boys basketball coach (7th-12th)

Head girls softball coach (9th-12th)

Assistant Jr. and Sr. football coach (2001-2002)

Social Studies teacher (Jr. and Sr. High)

Other Responsibilities include:

-Member of Organization and Finance Task Force for Modern Red Schools

Education Reform Initiative

-Chairman of the Personnel Policy Committee (2002-2003)

-Leadership Team member for representing Personnel Policy Committee

-Teach Master Representative

-CAP Advisor

-Class Sponsor

2003-2004 J.D. Leftwich High School, Principal

2004-2006 <u>Magazine Public Schools</u>, Superintendent

2006-Present <u>Lavaca Public Schools</u>, Superintendent

Coaching Honors

2003 Named to the AAA All-Star coaching staff for softball

2003 Sr. Girls Coach of the Year 4AA Softball

2002 Sr. Girls Coach of the Year 4A-South Softball

2002 Jr. Boys Coach of the Year for Conference 4A-South Basketball

2002 Sr. Boys All Star Nominee Coach for Conference 4A-South

2001 Sr. Boys Coach of the Year for Conference 4A-South Basketball

2001 Named Girls Coach of the Year for Conference 4A-South Softball

2000	Girls Coach of the Year for Conference 4A-South Softball
1999	Girls Coach of the Year for Conference 4B-South Softball
<i>1999</i>	Boys Coach of the Year for Conference 4B-South Basketball
1998	Boys Coach of the Year for Conference 4B-South Basketball
1997	Boys Coach of the Year for Conference 4B-South Basketball 1997

Other Recognitions

2007-2008	Served on the Academic Facilities/Maintenance PM Committee
2005-Present	Commissioner: Education commission of the States
1999	Who's Who Among American Teachers
1998-2002	Elected to Magazine City Council
1991-1995	Dean's List - Arkansas Tech University, Russellville, AR
1993	President's Youth Service Award
1992-1993	Arkansas Tech University Student Senator

Interests

1992

- -Maintaining attributes that will enable me to be a great father and husband
- -Becoming more cognizant of the political and governmental process

Brotherhood Development Chairman - Sigma Phi Epsilon 1992

- -Politics at the State and National level
- -Maintaining my level of activity in our family's church
- -Avid sports enthusiast

Administrative Goals

-To provide the necessary leadership to enable the instructional staff to

maximize student performance

- -To provide all students with meaningful experiential learning opportunities
- -To actively engage parents and other family members in a productive learning experience that supports student learning